QUESTION FOR ANSWER ON THE DAY.

(but not taken up)

I. P. Sets (supply to certain villages in Challakere Taluk).

Q.—237. Sri V. MASIYAPPA (Hiriyur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the raiyats of Bethur, Kanajanahally, Hosakere, Khandenahally, Helagaladdi, Maddihally, Sravanagere, Dharmapura (Aralikere), Hariyabbe, Sugur, Sakkera, Gollahally and Venkalgudda in Dharmapura Hobli, Hiriyur Taluk, Samudradahally, Kundalagura, Ikkanur, Mydanahole, K. R. hally, Hiriyur Taluk, and Kaprahally, Jadekunta, Maradihally, M. D. Kote, Hulikunte, Belegere, Naranapura, Nerlagunta, Nannivala in Challakere Taluk, have deposited money for electricity for I.P. Sets ;

(*b*) whether any estimates have been prepared and if any have been sanctioned ;

(*c*) whether it has come to their notice that lift wells are the only major source of irrigation in these places ;

(*d*) when they propose to sanction and take up the work ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGANA GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) The applicants have deposited money. There have been no applications from the villages of Kanajanahalli, K.R. Halli and Naranapura.

(*b*) Estimates have been prepared in the case of 16 of the villages but none has been sanctioned.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) The question of sanctioning and taking up these estimates during the next official year will be considered.

BUDGET FOR 1955-56—GENERAL DISCUSSION.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Now the Budget Discussion will be taken up. I want to know the opinion of the House whether we can limit the time so that more members can partake in the Budget Discussion ?

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK (Molakalmuru).—We have no objection to limit the time, but the Leader of the Opposition may be given some lenien and it should not be out of proportion.

Sri K. PATTABHIRAMAN (Kolar).—And it should also be universal.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY (Chitaldurg).—No time limit should be fixed. It should be left to the Chair to adjust.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur).—I was being shown certain amount of indulgence on previous occasions, and taking into consideration the importance of the Budget of this year, I hope, the Chair will show some indulgence towards me.

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is left to the House.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—I shall assure you, Sir, that I am not going to waste the time of this House unnecessarily, and I can assure you that I will only bring out certain salient features as are necessary and which should be placed before the Government and the public.

Sir, the discussion on the Budget is only a continuation of the speech I made on the occasion of the debate on Rajpramukh's Address. Therein I stated the present state of affairs and conditions, how the Government is preoccupied with their own party matters, how the Chief Minister and others are obsessed with their own problems rather than with the problems of the State. It is under such depressing atmosphere that the Budget has been prepared—perhaps without bestowing much thought as to the consequences of having prepared such a budget with a deficit unheard of in the history of Mysore State. I can say it is a thoughtless budget, because I am sure the Finance Minister has not bestowed much thought, but the effect it has produced not only on the members of this House but also on the country is this : that it is a depressing and a desperate budget ; a budget which holds out little hope for the people ; a budget which shows and reveals the hopeless financial conditions of the State which it is very difficult to remedy or to restore to the conditions